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POPE PIUS INAUGURATES HOLY YEAR



—Central Press Canadian

The spiritual leader of 350 million Catholics, Pope Pius XII is borne through the portico of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome to officiate at the opening of the Holy Door ceremonies. Thousands of pilgrims from all over the world were gathered in Vatican City to witness the ritual.

PICKARDVILLE NEWS

PICKARDVILLE. — Mr. Floyd Glebe has returned home from the Westlock hospital after receiving medical care for sinus trouble.

Master B. Lohelle had to be taken back to the hospital again to receive further asthma treatments.

In spite of the cold weather the two last dances were fairly well attended.

Dances are planned for every Friday in January. Good music is promised for each.

The F.W.U.A. and A.F.U. dramatic committee held a meeting Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith. A play was chosen and it is hoped the play will be ready to be staged in February some time.

Miss Ida Breault is away from her job at the Red & White with the flu.

Mrs. R. Provost has been receiving medical care at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Measures Sunday and were shocked to hear of the sudden passing of Mr. Martin Meckleburg.

Mrs. Fred Juneau is employed at the home of G. Nadeau while Mrs. Nadeau is recuperating from an operation.

The F.U.A. held their first meeting of the season with 15 members present. Mr. L. McMillan gave his report on the Calgary convention.

The Board of Trade held a meeting Jan. 6 at the U.G.G. office. Cement sidewalks for the centre were under discussion. A committee was chosen to attend the council meeting at Morinville.

Mrs. Craddock is recovering from an attack of the flu.

Brian Richardson has recovered from the measles and is back to school again.

Greenland is the world's largest island.

Pioneer Settler Of Manola Dies

MANOLA. — Funeral services were conducted for Leslie Wallace, 66, Manola district farmer, by Rev. J. E. Nix, assisted by Rev. D. V. A. Brown. Interment was in Barhead cemetery.

Born in Convey Werrem, Onagh, Northern Ireland, Mr. Wallace came to Canada in 1903. Two years later he squatted on land in Manola area which was still unsurveyed and thus became the first settler in this part of Alberta.

He served in the First Great War, being twice decorated. From 1919 to 1932 he engaged in construction work, but eventually returned to farming.

Surviving are his wife, one son, Robin, at Manola and two daughters, Jean of Britannia Beach, B.C. and Mrs. D. L. Nachbar, of Grande Prairie.

Is Honored By Shower

MORINVILLE. — A shower honoring Mrs. Hector Sorenson (nee Jean Stirling) of Kinross, Scotland, was an event of the holiday season. It was held at the A. L. Stapleton home, and there was a good turnout to give the bride a warm welcome, despite the sub-zero weather.

The guests played progressive whist. Mrs. A. Soetaert winning first prize for the ladies, and Alfred Roy first for the men. Mrs. L. Kaiser received the women's consolation, and Leonard Nooy low for the men.

Jack Middleton proposed the bridal toast.

Mrs. Sorenson received many gifts of china, silverware, kitchenware and linens. She thanked everyone and was followed by a speech from the groom.

Ice over Canada's northern Cambridge Bay has been estimated to have been 2,000 feet thick during the glacial period.

Art Soetaert Attends Sales Conference

MORINVILLE. — Mr. Art Soetaert, local International Motor Truck dealer, recently returned from Edmonton where he attended a sales conference and presentation of International Harvester's new "L" Truck Line.

"The completely re-designed and re-engineered line of International Trucks," said Mr. Soetaert, "is entirely new from front bumper to tail light."

"It is a complete line of heavy-duty-engineered trucks consisting of 87 separate truck chassis models designed to handle every conceivable type of hauling job."

"The new L-Line," added Mr. Soetaert, "is the result of International's 3 years of truck engineering know-how, and includes...

...complete restyling that blends a new modern truck streamlining with extreme practicality, a new "Confo-Vision" cab, custom-designed to provide more roominess, added comfort and new all-round visibility.

...new chassis dimension engineering that permits better load distribution, greater maneuverability, shorter over-all lengths and improved engine accessibility.

...new, improved valve-in-head international truck series engines, including an all-new Silver Diamond engine.

...and a host of new mechanical and engineering improvements designed to effect important cost reductions for the operator.

"Brought to the public after years of exhaustive testing and research, the new trucks," said Mr. Soetaert, "required the greatest expenditure of any new models in International history. More than \$30,000,000 was spent for the vast production changeover necessary. The changeover involved the widespread revamping of facilities, layouts and assembly lines in the company's Canadian and U.S. plants; the acquisition of new machines, tools, dies, patterns, gauges and fixtures; and the addition of new buildings and extensions to existing facilities."

"At great additional expense more than three years of road tests went into proving the new trucks. The intensive program included laboratory and track testing in addition to over 3,000,000 miles of driving under all types of operating, weather and road conditions."

"The new L-Line," said Mr. Soetaert, "is spearheaded by four classifications of four-wheel model trucks—the Standard, ranging from 4200 pounds to 40,000 pounds, gross vehicle weight; the Schoolmaster, comprising five bus models ranging from 12,500 to 24,000 pounds, GVW; the Loadstar, ranging from 16,500 to 29,500 pounds, GVW; and the Roadliner, ranging from 16,000 to 30,000 pounds, GVW."

"The Company's 'West Coast' trucks include highway and off-highway vehicles, ranging from 30,000 to 90,000 pounds, GVW."

"The new L-Line," concluded Mr. Soetaert, "presents a completely new design in motor trucks, at once apparent from the massive front end to the smartly styled cab. The modern appearance achieved is the result of combining beauty of line with a utility that permits more roominess, added driver comfort and convenience, increased safety and new all-round visibility—factors which

ST. ALBERT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Atkins of St. Albert announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Jean Marguerite, to Mr. Clayton Lee Crozier, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Crozier of Namas, Alta. The wedding will take place at 2:00 p.m., Jan. 30, at Namas United church.

Mr. Alec Arnault has sold his house to Angus McDonald.

Maurice Lafleur has been in hospital for about two weeks. An infection started in his frozen toes.

Dennis Dancause, 2½ years old, was quite seriously burned about the face, arm and forearm when he fell into some boiling water.

Those in hospital with the same conditions are: Mr. Maukle, Mr. Meyfroidt, Mrs. Tom Barry and Mrs. Jeff McMillan.

Mrs. H. Fleming is in hospital with a rheumatic condition of her leg.

Mr. "Ted" Atkinson and B. Bourgois' little son, are home from hospital.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Art Sevigny, a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fraser, a son.

The chair that was taken from the beer parlor has been returned. A Mr. Willis Jones from Edmonton was charged with theft—\$10.00 fine.

Anne Schroeder of Morinville was charged with disturbing the peace—\$5.00 and costs.

Vern Hettinger had his car damaged when it was in contact with a lumber truck at the top of the hill.

The Mrs. J. Havrelock that won first prize of \$10 in the Journal slogan contest and second prize of \$6 in the Bulletin is a cousin of Mrs. Vague.

Mrs. H. D. Armstrong of Athabasca, visited at her father's home, Mr. N. Ross, Sr., a couple of days last week.

Sister Boudin, grade 3 teacher, was ill last Friday so there was no school for the grade that day. The "Song of Bernadette" will be played in the Parish hall Sunday, Jan. 22.

Philip Proulx hurt his leg when he over balanced from the concrete base of the bridge, and landed on the ice. Why doesn't he walk on the sidewalk?

Mr. Craig has been the station agent here the past three months. He has accepted a position at Ryley.

Margaret Belrose was at the Wm. MacMillan's place while Mrs. MacMillan was in hospital. Mrs. MacMillan and her baby son returned home on Monday.

Marie "Trudy" Gervais helped out at Summers when Mrs. Sumner taught the Grade 6 class the past three weeks.

Hector Gervais has been ill with a throat condition.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Broome, a son.

Annual meeting of the Roy Rural Electrification Association will be held in the St. Albert Community hall on Wednesday, Jan. 25 at 2 p.m. Please attend.

(Too Late for Last Week)
ST. ALBERT.—On New Year's Day the Harold Vague family talked to Mrs. F. E. Vague and Mr. and Mrs. George Vague over long distance telephone from Vancouver.

result in greater operator efficiency and thus spell more profitable truck operation."

cover. The voices were weak but clear. The temperature there was 26 above while here it was 35 below, cold for both places.

Mr. Maukle has been in hospital a few days with a bad cold.

Little Donald Hodgson froze his toes so badly that they were blistered.

On January 4 Bernard Bourgois was given a ticket for speeding.

The taxi again met a car head-on at the cross roads on Saturday night. The driver of the second car was Leon Poulin. A wheel came off the taxi, the fenders were damaged on the Poulin car.

On Friday, Jan. 6 Mrs. Vague, Mrs. Cuts, Miss Wolniwicz and Alice Lorette Ross called on Mrs. Dugas and Mrs. Barnett in Edmonton. Mrs. Dugas showed them her talking "Budgies" and her plaques.

Mrs. Sumner taught in Grade 6 room last week when Mrs. MacMillan was ill with a cold.

Mr. Louis Durocher broke his ankle last week when he fell on the slippery road.

Congratulations and happiness to Mr. and Mrs. O. Anderson who were married Dec. 30. Mrs. Anderson was formerly Rita McDonald, Grade 1 teacher here two years ago.

Mrs. Johnson passed away at the Convent on Wednesday, Jan. 4.

About 28 rinks are organized to play in the curling rink. The draw at present is President vs. Vice-President.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. MacMillan, a son, on Jan. 9.

Mrs. Moride Lavoie had her sister, Miss L'Heureux, of North Battleford, visit her in the New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Lavoie spent Christmas at North Battleford.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rouault, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lavoie, Mr. and Mrs. M. Lavoie and Mr. and Mrs. E. Côté visited from Mr. and Mrs. P. Girard, Fort Saskatchewan, last Sunday.

* Monday night last Mrs. Cuts, Mrs. Rosengren, Mrs. E. Leclair and Mrs. Vague enjoyed the violinist Betty Jean Hagen at her concert.

Mr. J. Busche took his little son to hospital Monday evening.

The St. Albert sub-local met on Jan. 9. There were nine teachers present. Discussions pertained to an Institute Day, Musical Festival, Government share of Education and work on Grade 6 and 8 English Standardized Tests.

On Sunday, Jan. 8, a tournament in badminton was enjoyed by the players present. A tournament was drawn up to be played off by members of the senior group and school group. The school group games will be played Sunday afternoons. The senior partners can play when they are present Monday or Thursday evenings. The fee is 25c a meeting or \$1.50 for the season. There are about 30 names for this tournament.

R. M. MacGregor Dies In City

ST. ALBERT.—The man who collapsed in an Edmonton park and died last week was R. M. MacGregor, 63, of this district.

Investigation by Dr. M. M. Cantor, chief coroner, established that death was due to natural causes. Mr. MacGregor, who has not been in good health, was on his way to visit a relative who lived about a block from the park.

THE ST. ALBERT GAZETTE

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A TIME FOR REALISM

Those who deprecate government participation in the marketing of farm products, fail to appreciate the changed conditions brought about by two world wars. They are still living in the Victorian era when Great Britain was the richest and most powerful nation in the world and the horse and buggy the most common means of transporting people hither and yon. This is an entirely different and much more dangerous world we are now living in. Government participation in business is an established thing. Under present conditions international trade could not function otherwise.

It has been stated that Canadian agriculture has recently suffered severely through the federal government's participation in the marketing of farm products. The facts of the situation do not bear that statement out. World War II ended nearly four years and eight months ago. During that period the prices of most farm products have been fairly well maintained. This has been due to government participation.

Three years after the end of World War I the prices of farm products were "on the toboggan." The following table giving farm prices of principal products shows what happened in that period.

Average Farm Prices in Alberta			
	1918	1922	
Wheat	\$ 1.92	\$.77	
Oats	.75	.35	
Barley	.97	.42	
Rye	1.41	.55	
Hogs	24.00	11.50	
Cattle	75.00	25.00	
Milk Cows	107.00	42.00	
Sheep and Lambs	15.00	6.90	

The free market was allowed to operate without government interference in that period. The calamitous drop in prices as illustrated by the above table resulted in a serious depression. The cut in the buying power of the farm people resulted in unpaid debts, taxes, and loss of farms. The sheriff was the busiest man in each community.

This condition of course, was reflected in towns and cities. Business failures were commonplace and widespread unemployment resulted in much want and misery.

Government participation in marketing in the years following World War II resulted in stability in farm prices and in general business. The unfortunate recent debacle in egg prices shows what would have happened in all farm commodities without government assistance.

The United States is considered the last great citadel of free enterprise in the world today. Yet the government of that nation is definitely committed to a policy of farm price maintenance. The price of corn, for instance, is provided with a floor of \$1.40 a bushel farm price. Under a free market with enormous supplies on hand in that country, the price might well be 50 cents a bushel.

Europe historically is the great market for North America's surplus food products. With most nations on that continent on the verge of bankruptcy and with Soviet Russia threatening to extend her influence to the Atlantic coast, Europe must be fed and re-established economically. That cannot be done by the farmers of the United States and Canada. It must be done by governments.

ECONOMIC JUSTICE FOR FARMERS

We have never been able to understand the motive that inspires some businessmen to constantly criticize the farmers. If these businessmen were half as smart as they are supposed to be, they would know that the fortune of their enterprises depends upon the ability of farmers to buy their goods.

A large part of the population of Canada derives its living from agriculture. In some sections, the welfare of the area depends almost entirely upon the cash income of the farmers in the surrounding territory. In other sections, the dependence is less direct because of the presence of industry but, just the same, when the agricultural people stop buying, the wheels of many industries come to a halt.

We believe there is general opinion that national policies in the past have not unduly aided agriculture, or given to the farmer an unfair share of the national income. The tariff that protects industry is, to a certain extent, a tax upon agriculture. So long as it exists, the farmers are entitled to an offset, whether it be in the form of conservative payments, crop subsidies, crop loans, or cash payments.

There are many keen businessmen who appreciate fully the interdependence of agriculture in industry. There are smart business leaders who understand that the success of their business this year depends upon crop income, just as the farmers' success depends upon it. These men are giving themselves with greater concern to the problems of agriculture and lending their assistance to many undertakings designed to stabilize farming throughout the nation.

Dear Editor

Dear Sir—The other evening I was out at a club meeting and I heard several of the members discussing the Christmas Seal Sale. They had apparently forgotten to send me the money for their seals and they thought that it was too late to do so now.

I hastened to tell them that it was never too late to make a contribution to the campaign against tuberculosis, and that the Christmas Seal Committee would welcome their donation at any time.

We do hope that anyone who has just forgotten to send in the money for their seals will see this letter and realize that it is still not too late. Everyone's help is needed in the battle against T.B.

Christmas Seal contributions are allowable income tax deductions, and may be sent to the Kinsmen Club Christmas Seal Office, City Hall, Calgary.

Yours truly,

H. C. Hilton,
Chairman.

Scriptural Meditations

By AINSLEY BLAIR

"When the love of Christ is enshrined in the heart, like sweet fragrance it cannot be hidden. Its holy influence will be felt by all with whom we come in contact. The spirit of Christ in the heart is like a spring in the desert, flowing to refresh all, and making those who are ready to perish, eager to drink of the water of life. Love to Jesus will be manifested in a desire to work as He worked, for the blessing and uplifting of humanity. It will lead to love, tenderness and sympathy toward all the creatures of our heavenly Father's care."

—Steps to Christ.

Goldeyes Found in N. Alberta Lakes

OTTAWA — A lake in northern Alberta has yielded a long-sought clue to the mystery of the spawning habits of one of Canada's tastiest fish, the goldeye.

Dr. K. H. Doan, acting director of Central Fisheries Research station at Winnipeg, told a meeting of the Fisheries Research Board the clue has been discovered in Lake Claire, situated at the west end of Lake Athabasca in the north-east corner of Alberta.

The clue is a number of gold-eye eggs found drifting free in Lake Claire last year. For five years the fishery scientists have been trying to discover the spawning habits of the gold-eye, now almost extinct in Lake Winnipeg for commercial purposes but plentiful in Lake Claire.

The eggs found in the Alberta lake are one of the first instances of surface floating eggs in freshwater fish. Commercial fishing for goldeyes started two years ago in Lake Claire following a biological survey the year before. Last year, Indian fishermen using about 10 shiffs and operating with an average of 780 yards of net a day in the fishing period, hauled in 143,000 pounds of goldeyes. Maximum catch in the lake has been set at 250,000 pounds.

Still farther north at Great Slave Lake in the Northwest Territories, Dr. Doan reported good fishing for Canada's commercial fishermen.

Commercial fishing was first allowed in the lake in 1945 and it is described as one of the best inland fishing lakes in the country. It has yielded an average of 80 pounds of whitefish and lake trout for every 100 yards of gill-net laid by the fishermen.

Fishing is carried out under supervision of the Fisheries Department as an experiment in lake management.

Dr. Doan also reported that four belugas were tattooed last year in Hudson Bay. The tattooing is de-

Stephen Leacock And Waskatenau World

By T. W. PUE

Very often the person who is most likely to complain about no news being in the local weekly paper is the one who never assists the local editor with any news.

We have, however, a good friend in Waskatenau who, preferring to remain anonymous, wrote us a most interesting letter which we received the day before New Year's. I am certain readers of this column will enjoy sharing this letter with me.

The reader of the Waskatenau World writes as follows:

Dear Mr. Pue,
I thank you for your courtesy in writing to me direct, in reply to my recent letter of criticism to you and Mr. Jenkins. I was pleased to learn about your latest appointment, "Waskatenau Students' Union" as local editor, with Miss Tufts as general O.C., a splendid thing in my opinion, too.

Since the students are dispersed for the Yuletide, Miss Tufts has asked me to send in the story about the Waskatenau High School Carol Concert, which you will find enclosed. Will you, however, credit the local editor with it, my name does not need to appear. I have been dropping into the collection box all local items I could (rural), for the correspondents ever since the paper started, because newspaper correspondence is something new to them to engage in.

Also I am very desirous of having your paper become a permanent institution in our district. We thank you for making the last issue a Christmas become a permanent institution in our district. We thank you for making the last issue a Christmas become a permanent institution in our district. We thank you for making the last issue a Christmas become a permanent institution in our district.

I am sure you concur with Stephen Leacock's remarks about the function of the Weekly Newspaper. I haven't it at hand but it is something like this: "I can get my national, international, political news from the City Daily, the 'scoop' news, etc., from it, also, but in the Weekly I like to read about Tom Jones' new pig pen, that Mrs. Jackson did finally come through with that tea party, the Bill Shaw's soon drove home the made the grade, all right, did get the price of that new buggy from the city for the week-end. There is no need to mention the date. Maybe it WAS two weeks ago, but to us it is NEW."

I like the central section of your paper, your fillers. You did well to put in the bit about Dr. Baker's talk to the University Women's signed to give fisheries scientists some indication of the extent and migrations of the beluga, a member of the porpoise family popularly known as a "white whale."

A light model harpoon gun is used to tattoo a beluga. The normal killing head of the harpoon, however, is replaced by a head bearing a set of short needles carrying tattoo ink.

Save dairy feed by moving the feed bin to an inside wall, as moisture, condensation on an outside wall will cause some grain to spoil.

Club about the new Art Form of Radio Ear rather than eye enjoyment only, the new drama art form, etc., the interview with Mrs. Percy Grainger, Jay Lloyd's stories, etc. No matter how remote a district there always seems to be a reader, even two, perhaps, who are keenly interested in cultural matters. To date, I have not noticed that you mention many local incidents in any way—not too late, yet. I think the enclosed "Northern Echo" will interest you. Perhaps you exchange with him, and you have already seen it. I like Gardiner's Latin tag on his "The Middle Page," I like this edition. I feel there is a special place in our economy for the weekly paper, as I have already said, and, whenever possible, I like to give it a "leg-up," so I keep renewing my subscription to his paper. When the Smoky River bridge was opened last August the Grande Prairie Herald-Tribune gave it splendid coverage (the J. B. Yule who edited it for many years is Arla's brother-in-law) BUT Gardiner's was the only paper I saw that mentioned the inscription on both ends of the bridge, this:

De Pontibus.

O Smoky, Father Smoky,
To whom the Indians pray,
Riverman's sorrow, ferryman's honor,
Take thou in charge this day.

I agree with Mrs. Elsey exactly 100 per cent, and with Stephen Leacock, that a home-town paper should always carry news of home-town folks. I would like to see the words of Mr. Leacock in the masthead of every paper.

SPEAKING OF LEACOCK

Stephen Leacock was a Canadian writer of some considerable fame. He was given the honorary title of Doctor of (I believe) Literature by an eastern university. From time to time folks would mistake him for a doctor of medicine. And thereby hangs an interesting tale he used to tell.

It seems that one day Dr. Leacock set sail on a Great Lakes passenger boat. The ship was crowded with holiday-makers among them a very pretty young lady of some note, whom presumably the doctor had eyed on deck approvingly.

While he was settling down in a deck chair to enjoy the voyage a doctor, who came rushing up to him: "Doctor, Doctor Leacock," he exclaimed, "Miss so-and-so has just hurt her leg and the captain wants you to come at once."

Without bothering to explain to the messenger his correct status as doctor, Stephen Leacock rushed immediately to the cabin of the injured girl.

But, he would admit regretfully, a doctor of divinity got there ahead of him!

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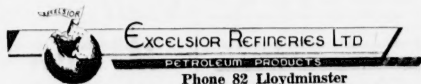
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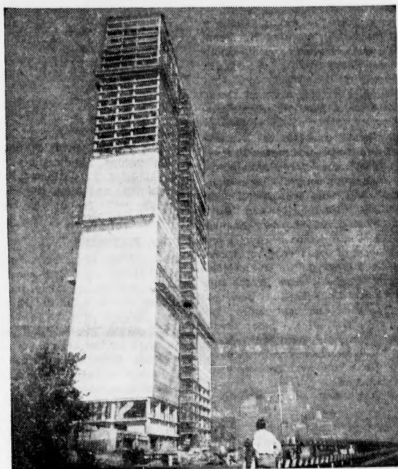
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UNITED NATIONS - 1949

DEVELOPMENT LOANS: Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, India's Ambassador to the U.S.A., looks over an agreement with Eugene R. Black, President of the International Bank, for a loan of \$10,000,000 to help purchase agricultural equipment. The World Bank also made similar loans to seven other countries.



GLOBAL HEADQUARTERS: In New York, the buildings which will be the Permanent Headquarters of U.N. rapidly grew skyward. The cornerstone was dedicated on U.N. Day—24 October—at a fête at which U.S. President Truman was main speaker.

Wheat Pool Head Is Bank Director

Rush D. Purdy, manager of the Alberta Wheat Pool, has been appointed a director of the Bank of Montreal, according to an announcement recently by B. C. Gardner, president of the bank. In making the announcement, Mr. Gardner expressed satisfaction in the appointment, pointing out that the selection of Mr. Purdy fulfilled a desire felt by the directors for some time to have a representative on the board closely associated with the agricultural industry.

A former B. of M. man, Mr. Purdy was assistant manager of the bank's Edmonton branch when, in 1925, he was made manager of the Alberta Wheat Pool. During his term of a quarter of a century as head of the pool, Mr. Purdy has become an authority on wheat-marketing, and is well-known in grain circles.

Active in community affairs, Mr. Purdy is chairman of the Alberta Provincial Committee of the Canadian Forestry Association, a member of the executive committee of the Canadian Red Cross Society (Alberta Division), and a director of Woods Christian Home, Calgary. From 1943-48 he served as a director of the War Assets Corporation.

Mr. Purdy is a member of the Calgary Board of Trade, the Canadian Club and the Renfrew Club, Calgary.

Some Weed

A great battle is being fought in India to free 3,000,000 acres of land from the stranglehold of a gigantic weed known as Kars grass. If won, millions of the country's hungry population will be saved from starvation.

Kars grass grows to a circumference of two inches and sends tap roots into the soil to a depth of seven feet. When plows were unable to cope with the job of its eradication, tractors were pressed into service as weed pullers, reports C-I-L Agricultural News.

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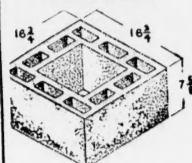
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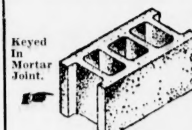
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Britain's Sporting Calender Program of Red-Letter Dates

Britain's sporting calendar for 1950 is a program of red-letter dates. World championships, international tournaments, the traditional sporting-cum-social occasions, and all the other open championships which attract the cream of sporting talent from the five continents, are all prominently featured. And it is abundantly clear there is not going to be the slightest let-up in the great post-war sports boom.

1950 has already dashed away to an extremely fast start. Already there is a new record. It is for the number of entries at the famous Powderhall athletics meeting in Edinburgh. Each new year professional athletes from all over Britain congregate in the Scottish capital and the number entered this time for the big-money sprint prize totalled 306, which is two more than the previous best 28 years ago. For the Rugby Union football international matches which start this month there will almost surely be record "gates" because more money than ever before has been returned to those

oversubscribing for the reserved accommodation.

The new year will not be so very old either before the first of the Americans arrive. Uncle Sam's representatives used to wait until the late spring before coming to tune-up for the big summer occasions. The post-war tendency has been to challenge for the indoor winter championships as well. In 1949, for example, the English badminton, table tennis and real or court tennis men's singles titles were all won by Americans.

SQUASH RACQUETS FIRST

This year the squash racquets realm is the first to be invaded. The U.S. women players arrive at Liverpool at the end of January and proceed in quest of the Scottish and English championship titles. They are coming, too, in defense of the Wolfe-Noel Cup which is at stake between Great Britain and U.S.A. When this trophy was last played for at Haverford, Penn., in 1949, the Americans won by the odd match in five.

In March the world figure skating championships for men, women and pairs are scheduled at Wembley. London. Richard Button, the 20-year-old American ace is understood to be coming over in defense of his crown but there will be a new queen of the ice, because Barbara Ann Scott, the glamorous Canadian, is now in the ranks of the paid stars. In Jeannette Altwegg, their vivacious champion from Liverpool, the British confidently anticipate they have the next successor to Barbara Ann.

Also in March on the Wembley



The bounce this young lady is putting into her New Year celebration is enough to carry her right through until 1951.

ice will be the world ice hockey championships. Indications are that at least 12 nations will be represented, and that the championship will remain a trans-Atlantic possession.

FINAL MATCHES

In April the big events for the major winter spectator sport of soccer take place. They include the final matches for the English and Scottish cups and the annual battle between England and Scotland when all the old-time rivalry is revived. Crowds of 100,000 will watch each of them. The Anglo-Scottish encounter for 1950 has extra special significance because of the World Cup series in Brazil next June. Thirty-two nations have entered the tourney for the World Cup, at present held by Italy, and the 16 most successful will contest the finals at Rio de Janeiro.

In May the scene in England switches to cricket and the visiting side this summer will be from the West Indies. Four five-day test matches have been arranged and the inter-county championship, which last year provided an unusual tie, will again be the season's staple feature. In May, too, the American and French real tennis players will be here for the Bathurst Cup series with Great Britain.

In June the magnetic name of Wimbledon will draw the lawn tennis champions of all nations. The big poser this time is whether or not the supremacy of the Americans which was very seriously challenged last year by Australians and South Africans will remain. American stars of 1949, Ricardo Gonzalez and Richard Parker, are not now eligible for Wimbledon and the 1950 championship very much trembles in the balance. But unless we have a really super surprise, the women's championship is destined to remain American, as will the Wightman Cup, which is also due to be played for at Wimbledon in June.

July sees the Henley Royal Regatta (Americans again have trophies to defend), the British open golf championship and a renewal of the international intervarsity series between the track and field Princeton-Cornell. Both the British open and British open ama-

teur golf championships are this year allocated to Scotland, the hereditary home of the game. The absence of Walker Cup and Ryder Cup clashes focusses undiminished attention on the open events and the entries are again expected to include the golf maestros of the world. The Australian best, Messrs. Pickworth and von Nida, have already intimated their intention of competing.

In August centre-stage will be occupied by the track and field athletes, Great Britain first of all entertains Scandinavia and then, on Aug. 12, there is to be a full-scale match between Britain and U.S.A. The U.S.S.R. has also been invited to participate. Toward the end of August, in Brussels, comes the European championship, to which the British will be sending what is hoped will be a strong team.

September is the month of the change from summer to winter sports. Professional soccer will actually have started. While soccer and both codes of Rugby football get under way, the cricketers chosen to tour will embark for sunnier climes. Their manifold proclivities, plus those of the indoor folk, will engage our attention through October, November, December and to the New Year. And that is where we came in.

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Municipal Affairs Minister C. E. Gerhart said an act, called the permissive act, will be introduced in the next session of the legislature as a preliminary step.

It will permit municipal and school boards in suitable districts to adopt the country system under which the work of both groups would come under one board.

If the system proves satisfactory, the minister said, it will be extended later to all localities.

Alberta Sessions Start February 23

Although Hon. J. C. Bowen, retiring lieutenant-governor of Alberta, will not officiate at the opening of the legislature, Feb. 23, he has signed the official proclamation.

Due to ill health, Mr. Bowen will retire Feb. 1. A new lieutenant-governor, yet to be appointed, will handle the job of opening the 12th provincial legislature.

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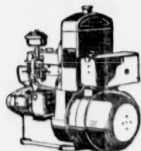
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Entries have been received from the United States, Australia, the Union of South Africa and a number of European countries.

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Monthly butter prices varied during that ten-year period. It is pointed out in the Economic Analyst, a publication of the Economics Division, Dominion Department of Agriculture, declining when production increased and increasing when production declined. The seasonally high price occurred in March at the end of the winter season of low production and just before the new year's production started to come to market. The average seasonal peak price was 20 per cent above the average price for the year. The seasonally low price was in June when production was at a peak.

Government controls were placed on prices in 1941 and the usual seasonal variation was replaced with constant prices from month to month. Later, when ceiling prices were removed and floor prices established, supplies were not sufficient to satisfy the domestic market and summer price declines did not occur. With butter output more nearly approaching domestic requirements, some seasonal changes in prices may be expected.

FARM NOTES FROM ABROAD

The Minister of Agriculture has announced that the plan for the eradication of tuberculosis in cattle in Great Britain will begin on October 1, 1950. The announcement was not generally expected as it was thought that under the government's retrenchment policy, the plan would be shelved for some time. It is expected that the plan will go into operation in areas where attested cattle form a high percentage of the total, such as Wales and south-west Scotland.

ARGENTINE FRUIT

Early in 1948 the United States placed an embargo on Argentine fruit because of the Mediterranean fruit fly, but later arrangements were made for pre-cooling in a manner satisfactory to U.S. authorities. The situation drew the attention of the Argentine government to the need for protecting their own fruit industry against similar infestation. New regulations regarding the entry of fresh fruit into Argentina have just been issued.

U.S. SKIMMED MILK

It has been announced by the United States Department of Agriculture that 105 million lbs. of skim milk powder will be shipped abroad within the next few months to the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund. The shipment is part of the total storage quantity of 300 million pounds of dry milk produced in 1949 under the price support program. Another 50 million pounds has already been diverted to the School Lunch Program and to foreign buyers, leaving 145 million pounds still to be sold.

SWISS EGG IMPORTS

During the first three months of 1949, Switzerland imported 7 million dozen eggs against 7.7 million dozen during the corresponding period of 1948. The main exporting countries were the Netherlands, Sweden, Poland, Bulgaria and France.

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OLDTIMERS' TALES of PEA VINE

Of particular interest to readers of the Onway Westerner and the Lac Ste. Anne Chronicle, other readers too, however, who recall earlier Alberta days will enjoy reading Eustace Reddish's story of the Peavine Trail in the Sanguido district.

PART II

A few days later Ben Roberts and I headed for Edmonton by ox team for supplies. My oxen led behind Ben's wagon for as yet we had no wagon of our own but intended to buy both wagon and sleighs in Edmonton. As the ground was frozen we made fair time but when we got to Belvedere the ferry had quit running. It was still in the river, however, so that travellers could haul one another across with their teams.

When we got there the ferry was on the other side of the

Pembina and a settler with his team and loaded wagon was on it patiently waiting for some one to come and haul him across. That someone turned out to be us and after hauling him across we got on the ferry and waited for someone coming from the east to put in an appearance and haul us across. There was always a lot of traffic on this road, so fortunately we did not have long to wait, and soon we were inching along towards Edmonton again, arriving there five days after leaving Peavine. It took us a couple of days

to rest up and get our supplies together and as by this time there had been a little snow I decided that it would be easier for the oxen to drag the sleighs behind the wagon than to carry it in the return trip but before we had got to St. Albert the weather suddenly changed and a north wind sprung up and the temperature fell rapidly and by the time we had reached our camp site for the night we decided we'd be much warmer if we didn't erect our tent but used it as an extra cover to supplement our blankets. We had camped out on the trip into Edmonton but it was so cold that night and the next day (we were told it was 25 below) that we decided not to camp out the next night but to avail ourselves of the nearest stopping place. When we got to the Pembina at Belvedere we found we were lucky, as the unusually early strong cold had frozen the river enough to enable us to cross on the ice without any delay and so we arrived back at Peavine five days after leaving Edmonton, making 12 days for the round trip.

Despite the cold snap our timing for the trip worked out alright as we crossed on the ferry on the last day it was used and returning we were among the first to cross on the ice. With milder weather we might have had a wait of several days before it was safe to cross the river on the ice with a team and wagon load of freight.

I think it was in 1913 that a

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SURRENDERS IN HIT-RUN CASE



—Central Press Canadian
Elmer Quinn, 29, of Highland Creek, Ont., surrendered to Ontario police, saying he was driving the car which hit 11-year-old Ted Gladding of Orillia, whose body was found by his father in a ditch. Quinn said he thought he had struck a rural mail box until he heard of the boy's death. He is charged with motor manslaughter.

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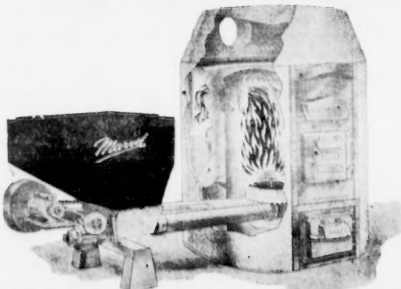
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OLDTIMERS' TALES OF PEAVINE

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New post office was opened at Helder with Mr. Bethell Haydon as postmaster. Mr. Haydon decided to operate a store and it was in the fall of that year that Bill Armstrong and I hauled the first two loads of freight from Edmonton for the new store. We each had a four-ox team and on the return trip one wagon got so badly bogged down in the bush between Twin Lakes and Lake Romeo that—after unloading—it took the eight oxen all their time to pull the empty wagon out of the mud hole. Needless to say, we cut a new road round that mud hole for the second wagon. This part of the road was usually bad but looking backwards it now seems amazing that we were able to use it at all during the last few years of its existence as no effort at all was made to keep it in repair. I suppose that the only reason one was able to use it was because one was not compelled to stop on any road allowance and as soon as a traveller considered a certain mud hole to be "too bad" he would cut another road around it. So at times one would have a choice of several different routes around a bad spot but usually there'd be a mud hole on each "cut-off," so you chose the route that appeared the easiest negotiable mud hole or you took time out to cut a new trail around it. Travelling by ox team is good way to see the country and we got to know immediately every bend and turn on this road and also we got acquainted with many of the settlers, certainly from Belvedere west we knew who occupied every farm along the road.

When going out to work it was by no means an uncommon thing for Peavinites to walk all the way to Edmonton but on the return trip, with money in their pockets, they'd ride in state on the mail

stage. Perhaps one wouldn't think so, but walking was about the quickest way of getting anywhere in a hurry in those days. To get from Peavine to Edmonton by mail stage took at best three and a half days, but once in May, 1911, I walked the 108 miles between 5 p.m. on Wednesday and 3 p.m. on Friday because I was in a hurry to get to the Land Office in Edmonton to file on my homestead—before some other (imaginary) applicant arrived. I walked 20 miles to Richmonds at Moss-side between 5 p.m. and 10 p.m. on the Wednesday. Thursday morning I left Richmonds at 4:30 a.m. and arrived at Riviere Qui Barre the same night. That was 58 miles that day. Then on Friday I walked the remaining 30 miles to Edmonton, arriving at the Land Office at 3 p.m. That made a walk of 108 miles in two hours under two days. I got no ride and actually walked every yard of the way, but I did have two nights sleep.

The influx of settlers along this road was heavy and steady for several years and sometimes people who hadn't seen each other for several years would meet there. I heard of several cases and actually was present when two people met on the stage at Riviere Qui Barre who had last seen one another 15 years before in Buffalo, N.Y.

Mr. Richmond of Mosside had heard from a cousin of his in England that my father was thinking of coming to Canada so he wrote to him and urged him to come to Mosside. I was in Manitoba at that time but eventually both father and myself turned up at Mosside, but not finding land there to suit us we came on to Peavine. Later this district was organized and Mr. J. E. Grigg, of Hathersage, was appointed secretary of this organized district. I don't remember whether it was first a local improvement district and then a municipal district or if it was made a municipal district right away, but anyway, Mr. Grigg was the secretary-treasurer. On receiving payment of taxes from my father he came to see if it was the same G. G. Reddish he had known in Birmingham, England, years before. It turned out to be a reunion for father and Mr. Grigg as both had taught in the same school in Birmingham in the 1880's and had not heard of one another since that time. We found out too that Mr. Grigg's sons, Harold and Heber, and myself had actually come to Canada at the same time on the S.S. Laurentine in June, 1909, though we had not met on the boat.

Of the people who lived along this road, about the best known would be the Johnson who had the post office and stopping place at Belvedere. I suppose that every incoming settler stayed there at one time or another as they were at the end of the stage run from Riviere Qui Barre and also where the ferry crosses the Pembina. Mr. Johnson fell from his wagon on which he was hauling a load of freight and broke his neck. This was about 1910, but Mrs. John-

son, a daughter and two sons carried on and did well.

Another stopping place that was very popular was that of Mrs. McLeod's, near Lawton, between Belvedere and Mosside. Nearer home I always stayed with Fred Winfield, who lived about five miles west of Mosside. Jim and Andy Henderson, the mail couriers invariably stayed there and it was while travelling with them that I first met Winfield who originally came from Quebec and had homesteaded on the prairie near Glenboro, Man., in the 1880's. Then when those who had homesteaded prior to a certain date were permitted to file on a second homestead, he had sold his prairie farm and had come further west and finally filing on a rocky bush quarter west of Mosside. He was truly a "cranky old bachelor" and usually was none too cordial towards visitors, but we got on well together and he always made me welcome and urged me to visit him anytime. He had one fixed habit—he had a calendar on the wall and every night just before going to bed he'd take a pencil and cross out the number which represented that day and say aloud "another blinking day gone." He always knew the day and date. His place was about 13 miles from mine but I went to see him several times a year, walking the 13 miles there in the morning and the same 13 miles back in the evening. He sold out in the early 20's and left the district and I never expected to hear of him again.

However, about 1927 or 1928, a man who was blasting stumps for Lewis Smart became impatient and went to investigate, when one of his charges failed to explode. He got to the stump just as the charge exploded and he suffered a broken jaw. When he returned from an Edmonton hospital he said that while he was there Winfield had been brought in and died. The doctor had said he could have lived had he wanted to but he just didn't seem to care whether he lived or not. Knowing Winfield as I did I wasn't surprised at his attitude.

The next stopping place was Moore's at Twin Lakes. Many settlers liked to stay there over night so as to have a full day in which to travel the eight miles of bad road before reaching the stopping place of J. R. Romeo at Peavine.

When the railroad reached Sanguito this Peavine Trail fell into disuse and now it is impossible to say exactly where it went east of Lake Romeo. That it went through tough country seems to prove with finality by the absolute disappearance of the road and by the fact that today—35 years after it was the main approach to Peavine from the east—if one wants to go east it is necessary to first go two miles south, or to go six miles north before east again.

Gone is the old Peavine Trail and gone too are many of the pioneers who travelled it and to those of us who are still left, it is a dim and not altogether pleasant memory.

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Statement in Respect To Employment And Unemployment In Canada

The Hon Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labor, presents the following factual statement in respect to employment and unemployment in Canada. The figures for the late December, 1949, were:

The total labor force in December is estimated to be 5,200,000 persons. This figure, of course, is less than was the case when students were available earlier in the year and normally a large number of women do not wish to work in the winter.

This figure of 5,200,000 is the highest figure for December in the history of Canada despite the fact that it is approximately 150,000 lower than was the case in September, 1949.

On the 5,200,000 there were 261,000 unplaced applicants registered in the National Employment Offices across Canada.

Of this number 71.1 per cent were either in receipt of unemployment insurance benefits or were persons whose claims were being processed.

The minister pointed out that persons actually working represented by the total labor force less the unplaced applicants—just under five million—was the highest number of employed persons for December in the history of Canada.

The latest available figures for persons seeking work through local employment offices by regions are shown below. The percentage of these workers who are claiming unemployment insurance benefits is shown in each case. The ratio of persons looking for work through N.E.S. offices to the total labor force is also given.

The table shows in the following order: region; unplaced applicants, Dec. 22; percentage claiming unemployment insurance benefits; total labor force; percentage of

total labor force registered as unplaced applicants.

Maritimes—				
38,600	69.8	552,000	7.0	
Quebec—				
83,400	78.4	1,437,000	5.8	
Ontario—				
83,800	85.0	1,798,000	3.5	
Prairie—				
35,400	66.7	973,000	3.6	
Pacific—				
39,900	72.2	440,000	9.1	
Total in Canada—				
261,000	71.1	5,200,000	5.2	

The number or unfilled vacancies on Dec. 22 was 18,600.

The increase in workers looking for jobs registered at local National Employment Service offices to a total of 261,000 at Dec. 22 is due, the minister observed, mainly to the usual seasonal fluctuations of production in many Canadian industries.

A special factor present this winter is the falling off in employment in woods operations in eastern Canada, where it is estimated that some 35,000 fewer men are employed this year than last. This situation is largely due to a decline in the contemplated carry-over of pulpwood.

The 261,000 persons looking for jobs are those who have registered with the National Employment Service local offices. Some of these are persons with jobs who would like to make a change, while others may be workers who have located jobs but who have not informed the local office.

On the other hand, there are persons desiring work who do not come to the local National Employment Service offices. This occurs especially in rural areas where the coverage of unemployment insurance is not large. It might be added, the minister said, that the latest quarterly labor force sample survey conducted by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics indicated that there were around 150,000 persons in Canada early in November who were seeking regular jobs and who did no work during the survey week.

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of persons registered for jobs through local National Employment Service offices was around 170,000. These figures, the minister pointed out, indicated that the reports from the National Employment Service offices are not out of line.

In addition to the usual seasonal influences and the special circumstances already mentioned, a considerable portion of the current unemployment results from the continuing growth of the Canadian labor force rather than from any decline in employment. Over the past year the growth of the total labor force has amounted to around 120,000, while the number actually at work has increased by close to 100,000.

Many more Canadian workers are now eligible for unemployment insurance benefits, the minister noted, than was the case a few years ago. As a result the percentage of workers seeking jobs through the National Employment Service, who are also claiming benefits, increased from 60 per cent at the beginning of December, 1948, to 71 per cent at the same date this winter. The actual number of ordinary claimants for benefits at Dec. 1, 1948, was 84,000. This year the figure, including Newfoundland, was 157,000.

The falling off in woods operations this winter reduced the number employed in eastern Canada by 35,000. The number in British Columbia is also down. During the last few weeks, severe snowstorms in the west have made it necessary to close a large number of camps. These facts have swelled the number of applicants materially in the Maritimes; Quebec and in the Pacific region.

The severe weather in the west has practically stopped construction work and no improvement can be looked for until there is a change in the weather.

Reports are that there are a lot of projects with plans completed consisting of industrial buildings, road construction, municipal improvements ready to be proceeded with early in the spring.

The general feeling throughout the country according to reports from National Employment offices is one of satisfaction with the way in which unemployment insurance is helping to meet the situation and there is evidence of a desire for inclusion under the act of groups such as lumbering and logging whereas a year ago there was considerable opposition to such inclusion.

"For All The World's Children"

A one-reel documentary film, "For All the World's Children," depicting the vital humanitarian work being carried out by the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, UNICEF, in their day-to-day care of over 6,000,000 of earth's neediest children, will be shown at the Capitol Theatre, Edmonton, January 27 to February 2 inclusive.

"For All the World's Children"—a ten minute version of a more detailed three-reeler, was photographed by several different cameramen in more than a dozen global areas where UNICEF milk, cereal, cod-liver oil, TB vaccine DDT, blankets, etc., are spelling the difference between life and death. UNICEF is currently campaigning for funds across Canada.

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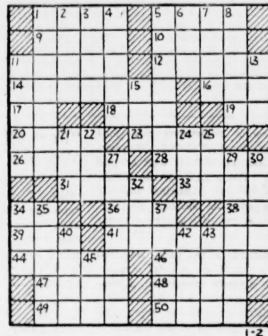
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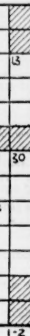
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16 Title of respect
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19 Music note
20 Concludes
23 Finest
26 Kingdom
28 Sit on a perch
31 Lanius
33 Malt beverage
34 Elevated train (shortened)
36 Out, as grass
38 A state (abbr.)
39 Gumbo's highest note
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Commenting on the F.A.O. report, C. R. Asher, development manager of C-I-L's agricultural chemicals division states that it is expected there will be sufficient supplies of fertilizer to meet demands of Canadian farmers in 1950 provided they take early delivery.

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Collective Agreements Cover 35p.c. of Canadian Workers in 1948

OTTAWA — Honourable Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, reported recently that a study conducted by the Economics and Research Branch of the Department of Labour had revealed that about 35 per cent of the wage and salary workers in Canada were employed under the provisions of collective agreements in 1948.

In making the statement, Mr. Mitchell pointed out that details of the survey would be carried in the next issue of the Labour Gazette.

An increase of 8.3 per cent over the 1947 figure in the number under agreements was due partly to higher general employment, but mainly to the completion of additional agreements. Almost 4,000 agreements were in effect during 1948, affecting 1,212,964 workers, the minister explained.

The percentage of the estimated total number of employed wage-earners and salaried workers in Canada (3,441,000 at November 20, 1948) who were covered by collective agreements in 1948 was 35.3. The numbers under agreement in certain main industrial groups expressed as a percentage of total paid workers in the industry were: Forestry, 51.8; Manufacturing—51.5; Electricity and

Gas—46.4; Transportation and Communication—75.0; Trade—6.4; Service—10.3.

Actual union membership in Canada was 977,594 in 1948 while the number of workers affected by agreements numbered more than 1,200,000. Mr. Mitchell explained this situation by the fact that all agreements, with the exception of those for closed and union shops, affected non-union employees in the bargaining unit as well as union members.

The number of workers involved in strikes during the year was about 42,800. The relatively small number of strikes and of workers involved in them is an indication of the success of collective bargaining and of conciliation procedure during the year, the minister stated.

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Public Library Notes

MORINVILLE. — The Alberta Library Board has offered its assistance to Morinville in establishing a public library. While most of the community organizations here have been notified of this offer, the young people were quick at corresponding. They asked Mrs. Charlotte Riepel to act on their part, and the Chamber of Commerce at a meeting, hearing of the work already being done, have also left her the task.

So the project is already underway. But to make it a real community affair, Mrs. Riepel wishes to invite every organization in the district to a meeting in view of forming a library association.

Every one will know the great need of a good library in our district. We used to hear about it in the old days. But now, when community organizing is at its peak, no doubt it would be the best enterprise we could have in common. And what better cause than that of education.

So let's all give Morinville a lift. What a wonderful opportunity! Date of meeting, Monday, Jan. 30; place of meeting, hall annex.

Of the nearly 100 daily newspapers published in Canada, 83 are English-language papers, 11 are French-language papers, 4 are Chinese and 2 are Yiddish.

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The recipients, with the scholarships in brackets, were: Ken Hansen, Millet, George Wengreniuk, Gunn, and Margaret Alton, Fort Saskatchewan (Alberta Surplus Wheat Board Money Trust); Victor Aalhus, Baldonnel, B.C. (Vermilion Board of Trade); Bernard Weise, Westlock, and Gladys Bohachuk, Musidora (Vermilion School of Agriculture Alumni Association); Arden Wingrove, Edmonton (Craig Brothers, Vermilion); Edward Sokalski, New Kiew, Steve Sorochan, Vermilion, and Anne Jackson, Keg River (United Grain Growers); Katie Kachuk, Desjarlais (Alberta Women's Institutes); Suzanne Bougeois, Girouxville (Robert Gardiner Memorial); Agnes Townsend, Mannville (Alta. Turkey Breeders' Association); George Winter, Edmonton (Canadian Legion); and George Hobbs, Czar (Alberta Seed Growers).

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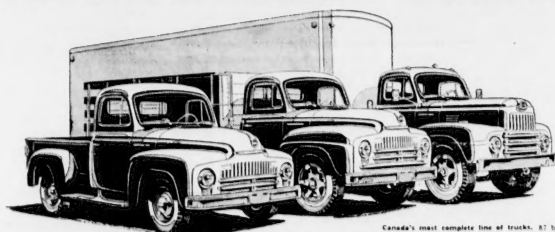
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